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## South Carolina Lutherans Meet In Newberry College

**LUTHERAN SYNOD  
CONVENES TODAY**  
FIRST TIME COLLEGE HAS BEEN  
HOST.

Sessions Will be Held in Holland  
Hall—Night Sessions at the  
Lutheran Church.

The South Carolina synod of the Lutheran church begins its ninety-first annual convention at Newberry college today (Tuesday) at 1:45 in the afternoon. The college has been looking forward to this event with keen interest for many months, it being the first time a synodical session was ever held in the college buildings. The college is the property of the synod and its meeting on the campus this year will afford the ministers and delegates a unique opportunity to study the affairs of the institution.

Most of the members of synod will arrive on the 1:06 train Tuesday, while others will come on earlier and later trains.

The day sessions will be held in the college chapel, beginning at 8:45 in the morning and 1:45 in the afternoon. The night sessions will be held in the Lutheran church, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Rev. O. B. Shearouse of Glass, N. C., will bring the greetings of the North Carolina synod, and the Rev. B. D. Wessinger of Chapin, S. C., will represent the Tennessee synod. Some minister from the Georgia synod will also be present.

The visitors will be entertained in the homes of Newberry, except that each day they will take dinner with the college students in the college boarding hall.

The schedule of night services will be as follows: Tuesday night, sermon by Rev. P. E. Monroe, president of the synod and also president of Sumnerland college; Wednesday night, address on "Education" by Rev. George J. Gongaware, D. D., Charleston; Thursday night, address by Rev. P. D. Risinger, Lexington.

All the citizens, whether of Lutheran or other denominations, are cordially invited to attend all the sessions, those in the day at the college chapel and those at night in the Lutheran church.

The South Carolina synod has eighty congregations, fifty-eight ministers and a membership of about 12,000. It owns and operates two colleges, Newberry and Sumnerland college, and is part owner of another college at Kumamoto, Japan, with 500 students; also a theological seminary in Columbia. It provides educational facilities for over 1,000 students every year. It also is part owner of the large publication house in Columbia. It conducts missions in this state at Spartanburg, Greenville, Greenwood, Columbia, New Brookland, Newberry (Mayer Memorial and Sumner Memorial), Sumter, Fairfield, Swansea, Florence, Charleston and Summerville. Its total contributions through the regular synodical channels last year were over \$122,000, besides the gifts of a special character to education and church buildings of perhaps an equal amount.

Newberry became the educational center of the Lutheran church of South Carolina quite a number of years before the denomination had many members in the town. The first Lutheran congregation had been organized only about three years before the synod decided to locate Newberry college in the "village of Newberry." Lutheran chapel (the former name of the Church of the Redeemer) could not have had more than thirty or forty members in 1856 when the college was located in the town. The congregation had been organized in 1853 with twenty-one members, and had only fifty-four members twenty years afterwards. Five years ago, Pastor Fulenwider received at one service twice as many members in the Church of the Redeemer as the congregation had in Lutheran chapel twenty years after its organization. The members of the synod who had the deciding vote to locate the college in Newberry certainly possessed far-sighted vision that they could see so far into the future and realize that around the college there would grow

up such a large and influential constituency which the college enjoys at this day, and which has proved its loyalty more than one time in its history when the institution needed friends.

Then, in looking over the records, one is struck with the fact that only three regular sessions of the synod have been held in Newberry. It would seem that the synod should have met more frequently in Newberry, when its importance as the educational center of the synod is considered.

Two of these regular conventions were thirty years apart—1860 and 1890. The synod had just begun to grow numerically in 1860. Thirty-eight ministers were enrolled, besides three licentiates. Political conditions were so disturbed by the sound of the tocsin of war that the synod did not hold its next convention at the regular time, but meeting in January, 1862, a regular convention was also held in November, 1862.

The synod had more than 4,000 white communicants in 1860, besides nearly a thousand negroes. The war decimated the membership largely of the men, even the preachers and candidates for the ministry volunteering in the Confederate service.

The third time when the synod held a regular convention in Newberry was in November, 1911.

Two extra conventions have been held in Newberry. Both of these conventions were assembled to consider the interests and welfare of Newberry college.

The extra session of 1867 met in September. It was called to consider the financial condition of the college. The wreck of war had left the college 'numb' with debt incurred in the erection of the building. Also, the building had been damaged by the federal troops which had occupied it as a garrison three months during the summer of 1865. Dr. Smeltzer, the president, reported at this convention that it would take \$2,000 to repair the damage which had been caused by the Fifty-sixth New York regiment, under Brig. Gen. Van Wyck. The claims of the contractors were satisfactorily adjusted, and efforts were made to repair the damage to the buildings. The latter effort was not successful, and the building gradually fell into decay. It was a beautiful building, and was well constructed. Better material had never been put into any building of its class anywhere. A proof of this statement is the fact that Smeltzer hall was rebuilt on the foundations of the first building.

The synod did not meet at Newberry when it was decided to remove the college to Walhalla. The synod thought at the extra session in 1867 that the damage to the building could be repaired readily, and since the contractors to whom the synod was indebted had so considerably reduced their claims to a most reasonable basis of settlement, the prospects were propitious for the college to take on new life. It was sad news to Newberry when, at St. Paul's church, near Pomaria, at the session in 1868, it was decided to remove the college to Walhalla. But the name was never changed. This retention of the name, Newberry college, was adopted at the suggestion of Dr. Smeltzer, the president of the institution, who had stood so loyally by the college. After the Federal soldiers evacuated the college the latter part of September, 1865, he and Capt. A. P. Pifer were the only professors to take up the work. Prof. D. Arrington and Prof. D. B. Busby were members of the faculty subsequently before the removal to Walhalla.

It is quite a remarkable coincidence that not quite ten years afterward the synod met in extra session in Newberry to consider the relocation of the college.

The extra convention of 1877 was held in April—just a month after the fire of March 11, 1877, which inflicted a loss of \$175,000 in the main business section of the town. While the town lay in ashes, a meeting of the citizens was held in the court house one week before the meeting of the synod, and the subscription of the town for the location of the college was increased at least one-third of the amount which

## J. LAWSON WISE DIES SUDDENLY

A GREAT SHOCK TO HIS MANY  
FRIENDS.

Mr. Wise Had Been in His Usual  
Health—Started to Church—  
Marriage of Miss Wyche.

Special to The Herald and News.

Prosperity, Nov. 8.—The entire town was thrown into great excitement Sunday night about 8:30 o'clock on hearing of the sudden death of Mr. J. Lawson Wise. Mr. Wise was apparently in his usual good health. He was on his way to church with his family, and when passing the hotel, the home of his brother, A. G. Wise, he told his wife to walk on and he would catch her. Mrs. Wise went to church with the children thinking that her husband was all right at the hotel with his brother. On returning from the church exercises they inquired at the hotel for Mr. Wise. They were shocked to find him dead.

He went to church in the morning as was his usual custom, and his last public act was to attend a special meeting of the church council called at the close of the service to transact some special business for the church.

He went to the Sunday school in the afternoon, as usual, and took an active part in the discussion of the lesson. He was on his way to church in the evening when the cold hand of death so suddenly seized him.

He is survived by his widow and the following children: Miss Willie Mae, graduate of Winthrop college, now at the head of the girls' tomato clubs of Newberry county; L. M. Wise, the oldest son, graduate of Newberry college, cotton buyer with his father at this place; Miss Tena, graduate of Chicago college, teaching in Union county; Miss Marguerite, student at Winthrop college, and three younger children at home, Patrick, Nellie and Cutis.

The burial service was conducted at the grave in the Prosperity cemetery Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, by his pastor, Rev. E. W. Leslie. He was buried with Masonic honors. Mr. Wise, at the time of his death, was in his fifty-eighth year. He was a son of Waj P. L. Wise, who died many years ago. His living brothers are A. G. Wise of this town, J. H. and W. B. Wise of Little Mountain and two sisters, Mrs. J. B. Lathan of Little Mountain

had been raised before the fire occurred. The writer remembers distinctly the ringing speech of the late Rev. H. W. Kuhns, pastor of the Lutheran church, at that meeting. One prominent business man at once doubled his subscription of \$500, and other leading business men and citizens followed in quick succession. Newberry's offer of \$15,870 was accepted by the synod, and the college opened its next session in Newberry in November 1877, in the buildings now occupied by Leroy & M. M. Salter as a studio and R. L. Leavell's undertaking establishment.

The corner stone of Smeltzer hall was laid on July 19, 1877, but it was not until February of the next year that any part of the building could be occupied.

A remarkable coincidence is connected with the first Lutheran church built in Newberry and Smeltzer hall. When they were each torn down and their corner stones opened for examination nothing whatever was found in either of them. A number of persons who were present at the laying of each corner stone were excited with keen expectancy by the fact that when the corner stones were opened they would behold again the interesting collection of coin and other articles which they had seen deposited in the receptacles. The old corner stone at the college was hewn out of solid granite. The receptacle was not very large. But strange to say, when it was opened, not a single article was found in it. There was nothing to show that anything had ever been placed in it. No decayed material of any kind was visible. The corner stone of the church was a receptacle formed of brick in the northeast corner of the foundation. There was nothing to show that the church had ever had a corner stone. The only explanation is that the articles were extracted from the receptacles by some one who wanted the coins, and everything else in them was likewise taken out of them.

and Mrs. Sarah Holmes of Georgia.

Mr. Wise was a life long member of the Lutheran church. He always took an active interest in the affairs of his church and he will be missed in the future deliberations of the church.

Surely a good man has departed from us. The heartfelt sympathies of this entire town and surrounding country go out to the bereaved family.

Dr. and Mrs. C. T. Wyche announce the approaching marriage of their daughter Isoline to James Furman Goggans of Columbia, on Tuesday, November sixteenth, at 7:30 p. m., at their home. Miss Wyche is the eldest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Wyche and is a young woman of unusual charm of mind and person. Mr. Goggans is a rising young business man of Columbia.

Prominent among the social events of this season is Miss Wyche's wedding. Miss Wyche will be honored on Tuesday afternoon, when Miss Effie Hawkins will give her a linen shower. Again on Friday, Mrs. Quattlebaum will entertain the Sorosis in honor of Miss Wyche, at which time the members will shower her.

The following announcement from The State of November 6 will be read with interest by the many friends of Mr. Mitchell, who is one of Prosperity's best known boys:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Suber announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Mary Francis, to Patrick Bowers Mitchell of Prosperity, the marriage to take place early in December.

The Sorosis was entertained on Friday afternoon by Mrs. L. A. Black. The discussion of the afternoon was "Henry VIII." A delightful two-course luncheon was served by Little Virginia and Ralph Black.

Mr. S. B. Bowers of Dawson, Ga., spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Bowers.

Mrs. Jim Price and Little Doris have been visiting Mesdames Moseley and Scrumpert.

Mrs. E. W. Werts and children have returned from a visit to Miss Kate Barre at the Columbia hospital, and report that Miss Barre is doing nicely.

Mr. W. A. Moseley was a business visitor to Aiken last week.

Mr. J. C. Taylor of Batesburg spent Sunday at home.

Miss Annie Moseley, after spending a short time at home, has returned to Batesburg.

Miss Elizabeth DeWalt leaves this week for an extended visit to Saluda and Augusta.

Mrs. M. C. Morris was called home last week on account of the death of her aunt, Mrs. Rebecca Dent.

Miss Eleanor Capers of Washington is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. L. Wise. She will return home by way of Clemson college in the interest of her work, having a prominent position in the government dairy department at Washington.

Mr. W. A. Hartman of Atlanta has been visiting relatives.

Mrs. Addie Hodges has returned from a visit to Dr. Sims of Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bedenbaugh of Pomaria spent the week-end at the home of Mr. J. M. Werts.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dominick of Kinards spent Sunday with Mrs. C. T. Wyche.

The Young People's society will have a "rummage sale" on the public square Saturday, November 13. Any donations to this sale will be very much appreciated.

Mr. Thompson C. Lester died Saturday at the home of Mr. Minick, in the St. Luke section. Mr. Lester had not been well for some time and his death was not unexpected. The funeral was held at St. Luke's church, being conducted by Rev. B. W. Crank. He is survived by his aged mother, Aunt Hannah Lester, two daughters, two brothers and one sister. The floral offerings were beautiful.

Hon. Josh Ashley's Condition Serious.  
Honea Path Chronicle.

The many friends of Hon. Josh Ashley will be pained to learn that his condition has been quite serious for the past week. He is growing gradually weaker and his family is alarmed over his condition.

Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, shall be with you, as ye have spoken.—Amos, v. 14.

THE APPALACHIAN HIGHWAY.

We made a trip on Saturday to Whitmire. In the party were Mr. Hartwell M. Ayer, who is doing some special work on the anniversary edition of The Herald and News, and Supervisor Sample. We went by way of the late home of Capt. H. H. Folk and struck the Appalachian highway at the Kennerly place. We made the drive to Whitmire in about one hour and ten minutes in 1911, and that is good driving for us and means that the road must be pretty good, for ordinarily our limit is an average of 15 miles the hour, and the distance to Whitmire by this route is about 20 miles.

This is a fine piece of work which Mr. Sample has done with the co-operation of the people along the route. The road is not what we would like to see and not what Mr. Sample would have made if the funds had been available but for the money and time expended we think there has been good results.

We returned by way of the Caldwell road and covered the entire stretch of the Appalachian highway in Newberry county. The changes made at Duncan's creek, just before getting to Whitmire, is worth to the road almost the entire amount expended on it. The road bed has been changed and a fill made which should make this is good road the entire year. At Cannon's creek, just this side of the residence of Mr. C. S. Suber, a new bridge has been completed which greatly helps a very bad place. And the entire road is much better than we really expected to see. From the Caldwell place to Newberry the road has not had time to settle and is a little heavy, but when some rains come and the road bed gets settled it is going to be a fine road. Of course it should be widened and there are some crossings which should have had attention before the road was left, but on the whole it is a fine piece of work for the money expended and Mr. Sample should receive the well done of the people along the way.

We are told that the Union people are building a thirty-foot road and making it a very fine road. We are pleased to know it and we hope they will extend it all the way through Union county, but they have not gone more than two miles so far. That is the kind of road to build if you have the money.

What we need on the Newberry end is to make provision for the proper maintenance of this road now that it is built. Some sections of it need now the application of the drag. And there are some high points that should have been taken down. If the people along the way take an interest in the maintenance of the road the supervisor no doubt will return to the road and take down the high places and fill in the low places and we will then have an all the year round good road to Whitmire.

The town of Whitmire is a good business place and it has some of the best stores that you will find in a long journey. They would do credit to a town much larger than Whitmire, and then in the Glen-Lowry Manufacturing company Whitmire has one of the most modern and best equipped cotton mills in the state. The special edition of The Herald and News will carry a full and complete write up of this live and progressive town.

There is one thing about the town of Whitmire that is very commendable, and that is that the people are loyal to the town and anything that is for the advancement of the community has the unanimous endorsement and co-operation of all the people. They believe in their town and stand solidly together for its betterment and advancement in all that makes for a better community.

Every business house in the town will have a place in the picture in our fiftieth anniversary edition.

The Appalachian highway will be all right if it can be dragged during the coming winter and then there are a few crossings that need to have some piping put in and the road widened in some places.

Makes Trip to Georgia.

S. J. Derrick of the Newberry college faculty passed through Columbia yesterday on his way to Springfield, Ga., where he will deliver an address today. Prof. Derrick's subject will be "Missions." The occasion is a pastoral reunion of the Lutheran ministers of that section.—The State.

## COTTON MARKET

Newberry.	
Cotton .....	11c
Cotton seed, per bu. ....	52½c
Prosperity.	
Cotton .....	11c
Cotton seed, per bu. ....	52½c
Pomaria.	
Cotton .....	11½c
Cotton seed, per bu. ....	52½c
Little Mountain.	
Cotton .....	11c
Cotton seed, per bu. ....	54c
Silverstreet.	
Cotton .....	11c
Cotton seed, per bu. ....	52½c
Chappells.	
Cotton .....	11½c
Cotton seed, per bu. ....	55½c
Kinards.	
Cotton .....	11c
Cotton seed, per bu. ....	52½c
Whitmire.	
Cotton .....	10½c
Cotton seed, per bu. ....	52½c

## GINNER'S REPORT

Would Indicate a Short Crop—Not  
Greater Than Short Crop of 1909.  
Prices Should Rise.

The ginner's report for the cotton ginned up to the first of November came out on Monday. It is a bullish report and should cause the price of cotton to go up. The total number of bales ginned is 7,383,000. The total for the short crop of 1909 for the same time was 7,350,000 and the total crop for that year 10,600,000 bales, including linters. There is a greater percentage of the crop ginned this year than in 1909 and the acreage has been reduced. This report would indicate a total crop of less than 11,000,000 bales. In that event there is no reason why the price should not go to 15 cents.

## "A Shooting Star."

Monday afternoon Ed Means, steering the red "Bear Cat" of Summers' garage, went out Caldwell street and down through Graveltown like as if he had been shot out of a gun. They say a shooting star would have looked like an ox-cart, compared with Ed's going. Sheriff Blease and Deputy Dorroh happened to be in the vicinity and observing the flash and the roar of the flying object immediately started in pursuit. It was not until Ed slowed down to make a turn that they overtook him. He was brought back and lodged in jail.

## GALLON-A-MONTH LAW IS UPHELD

Judge Bowman Finds Act Constitutional—One Circuit Has Sustained  
Law and One Rejected It.

The State.

Judge I. W. Bowman, who has held the terms of criminal and civil court of Richland county, yesterday decided that the gallon-a-month liquor law was constitutional. The judge sustained a demurrer entered by Frederick H. Dominick, assistant attorney general. The case will be appealed to the supreme court by attorneys for the plaintiff, Thomas F. Brennan of Columbia. Judge Bowman will hand down a formal order in the near future.

The decision of Judge Bowman is the opposite of that given by Judge Frank B. Gary several weeks ago.

The suit was brought by Mr. Brennan against the Southern Express company in order to force them to deliver more than a gallon of intoxicating liquors within a month.

## Russia May Now Get Squared in It.

Since the throwing of bombs is becoming quite an important part of fighting, we are confidently looking for the Russians to make some substantial gains.—Greenville News.

Without impugning anybody's good faith this country would like to have its understanding of the freedom of the seas set down in writing by both London and Berlin.